

New Regulations

New regulations are in effect for the SC Board of Registration for Foresters on May 28, 2021, resulting in the changes listed below:

1. Section 53-2 (Officers) – strike some duties of Chairman and Vice-Chairman, and eliminate the Secretary position.
2. Section 53-3 (Meetings) – clarify that notice of meetings will be given in accordance with the SC Code of Laws, Section 30-4-80.
3. Section 53-6 (Committees) – strike this section
4. Section 53-7 (Application for Registration) – add that payment of the application fee will also be accepted by electronic payment.
5. Section 53-8 (Requirements for Registration) – section updated to detail the current examination, education and experience requirements.
6. Section 53-9 (Expiration and Renewal) – rename this section “Renewal of License, Lapse License, and Reinstatement.”
7. Section 53-11 (Reciprocity) – change the word “person” to “applicant” to read consistently. Also, all reciprocity applicants must pass Part 2 of the South Carolina Specific Examination.
8. Section 53-20 (Continuing Education Requirements) – change “annual” to “biennium” or “biennial,” adjust hours required for biennial renewal cycle, modify categories to match SAF standards, add sections under “Exemptions” to include hardship exemptions and a waiver of CE for individuals who are over sixty years old, and have thirty years of licensed practice.

You can view the updated regulations at https://www.scstatehouse.gov/state_register.php (Click the May 28 link).

Additionally, Regulation 53-20(4) allows licensees who are 60 years of age and older with 30 or more years of licensed experience to request a waiver of the continuing forestry education by submitting a waiver form to the Board. To qualify, please submit [this form](#) to the Board by June 30, 2021.

Questions regarding the regulation changes may be directed to the Board’s office at (803)896-4800 or at Contact.Foresters@llr.sc.gov